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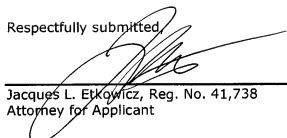
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SPECIFICATION

SLAVE APPARATUS AND COMMUNICATION SETTING METHOD

TECHNICAL FIELD

The present invention relates to a slave apparatus, a communication setting method, and the like applicable to a digital camera or the like, capable of performing USB connection in a mass storage class and an imaging class.

BACKGROUND ART

Fig. 7 shows the configuration of an image data transfer system comprising a digital camera and external devices according to the prior art (see JP-A-2002-271721).

The image data transfer system 700 comprises a digital camera 710, as well as a personal computer 720, a printer A 730, and a printer B 740 serving as external devices. The printer A 730 and the printer B 740 have a processing capability of acquiring image data from the digital camera 710 and then printing the image. In the image data transfer system 700, each of the digital camera 710, the personal computer 720, the printer A 730, and the printer B 740 has an interface which supports a USB (universal serial bus). The digital camera 710 is USB-connected to the external devices respectively through USB cables 750a-750c.